



SPECIAL ORDER : No. 07-11-07-09

STAGE 2 FIRE RESTRICTIONS -- *Hebgen Lake District*

Gallatin National Forest

Pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 (a) and (b) the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands administered by the Hebgen Lake Ranger District, Gallatin National Forest in Gallatin County, Montana. This Order includes portions of the Lee Metcalf Wilderness Area and Cabin Creek Wildlife Management Area that lie within the District's boundary. These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, Part 261, Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations and become effective at 12:00 p.m. (NOON) Mountain Daylight Time on TUESDAY, JULY 3, 2007 and will remain in effect until rescinded or revoked.

1. **Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire or campfire.** [36 CFR 261.52(a)]
For the purpose of this order under Stage 2 fire restrictions: *All wood or charcoal fires are prohibited!! This includes fires within metal campfire rings or rock rings, charcoal barbecues, and wood stoves in wall tents and FS Summer Home and Rental Cabin structures.* Exemptions listed under Item 4.
2. **Smoking** except within an enclosed vehicle or building; a developed recreation site; or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material. [36 CFR 261.52(d)]
3. **Operating an internal combustion engine.** [36 CFR 261.52(h)]
For the purpose of this order under Stage 2 fire restrictions, the following acts are prohibited from 1:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.: (Exemptions listed under Item 5 and 6)
 - a) Operating a chainsaw or other equipment for felling, bucking, skidding, road/trail building, road/trail maintenance and woodcutting during industrial operations (timber harvest, road or trail construction/maintenance, mowing, weed whacking, etc.) or firewood gathering.
 - b) Blasting, welding, or operating an acetylene or other torch that generates flame or flammable material. [36 CFR 261.52 (b) and (i)]*A patrol is required for one hour following completion of all work as described above.*
4. **Operating motorized vehicles and Parking off designated roads and trails (Forest Order 01-11-00-01).**
It is prohibited to possess or use a vehicle off national forest roads (36 CFR 261.56). This order is in addition to other restrictions in effect (Forest Order 01-11-00-01). **Parking is also prohibited off roadways or outside designated parking areas cleared of vegetation.** In this order a vehicle is defined as a motor vehicle to include but not limited to; cars, pickups, trucks, trail bikes, motorcycles and all terrain vehicles (ATV's).

EXEMPTIONS -- Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons or activities are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. All land within a city boundary is exempted.
4. Use of enclosed gas, propane or liquid fuel camping stoves are allowed.
5. Log loading and hauling operations may occur in a cleared landing site.
6. Generators may be used if placed on an area cleared of flammable material.

REBECCA HEATH
Forest Supervisor, Gallatin National Forest

Date

Stage 1 Fire Restrictions

Big Timber, Livingston, Gardiner and Bozeman Districts

Gallatin National Forest

In Effect as of 12:00 P.M., Tuesday Noon - JULY 3, 2007

✓ **No fires** (open campfires or charcoal fires) except in metal fire rings or grates in developed recreation sites such as campgrounds and picnic areas.

- Enclosed gas, propane, or butane type camp stoves are allowed. Charcoal fires within metal BBQ (e.g., small camping Weber BBQ) are allowed.
- Fires within rock fire rings and the use of wood-burning stoves in canvas wall tents are NOT authorized.

✓ **No Smoking** unless in an enclosed vehicle or building, at an improved place of habitation, a developed designated recreation site or campground, or stopped in an area at least 3 feet in diameter that is cleared of flammable material (such as a road).

For more information, call the Local Ranger Station

Big Timber District: (406) 932-5155

Livingston District: (406) 222-1892

Hebgen Lake District: 823-6961

Gardiner District: (406) 848-7375

Bozeman District: (406) 522-2520





Stage 2 Fire Restrictions:

Beginning Tuesday Morning (12:00 PM), July 3, 2007

All Public Lands administered by the Hebgen Lake Ranger District, Gallatin National Forest in Gallatin County

➔ ***All open flames/fires are prohibited. NO CAMPFIRES OR WOOD STOVES.*** This includes campfires within metal campfire rings or rock rings, charcoal barbeques, and wood stoves in wall tents, Forest Service Summer Homes and Rental Cabin structures.

Exceptions: *Enclosed gas, propane, or butane-type camping stoves are still allowed.*

➔ ***No Smoking*** unless in an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed designated recreation site or campground, or while stopped in an area at least 3 feet in diameter that is cleared of flammable material (such as a road).

➔ ***The following activities are not allowed from 1:00 PM to 1:00 AM, daily:***

- ***Timber Harvest Activities:*** *Use of chainsaws, log skidding activities, or delimbing operations.*
- ***Trail or Road Maintenance/Building Activities:*** *Trail or Road clearing, brushing, or mowing.*
- ***Other prohibited activities:*** *use of weed whacker for vegetation clearing.*

Exceptions:

1. *Log loading and hauling operations may occur on a cleared landing site.*
2. *Generators may be used if placed on an area cleared of flammable material.*

- ***No welding or blasting allowed.*** This includes using any fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices.
- ***A patrol is required for 1 hour following completion of all work listed above.***

➔ ***Motorized vehicles are not allowed off of Forest Service designated roads and trails. Parking outside of constructed trailheads or developed recreation facilities like campgrounds is also prohibited.***

For more information:

Hebgen Lake Ranger District: (406) 823-6961





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Big Timber, Livingston, Gardiner and Bozeman Ranger Districts

Gallatin National Forest

Pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations 261.50 (a) and (b) the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands administered by the Big Timber, Livingston, Gardiner and Bozeman Ranger Districts, Gallatin National Forest in Gallatin, Park and Sweet Grass counties, Montana. These restrictions are in addition to those enumerated in Subpart A, Part 261, Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations and become effective at 12:00 p.m. (NOON) Mountain Daylight Time on TUESDAY, JULY 3, 2007 and will remain in effect until rescinded or revoked.

There are no fire restrictions in the Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness Area, or the Spanish Peaks Unit of the Lee Metcalf Wilderness Area, which lies within the Bozeman District's boundary.

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire or campfire unless noted in the exemptions below. [36 CFR 261.52(a)]

For the purpose of this order under Stage 1 fire restrictions, stove fires, campfires and charcoal fires are allowed ONLY at developed designated recreation sites or campgrounds where metal fire rings or grates are provided. Fires fueled solely by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels may be used anywhere on National Forest System lands during Stage 1 fire restrictions.

Fires within rock fire rings and the use of wood-burning stoves in canvas wall tents are NOT allowed.

2. Smoking except within an enclosed vehicle or building; a developed recreation site; or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material. [36 CFR 261.52(d)]

For the purpose of this order under Stage 1 fire restrictions, the above exception for smoking also includes improved places of habitation, developed designated recreation sites or campgrounds.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
2. Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels.
3. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
4. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
5. All land within a city boundary is exempted.
6. Other exemptions unique to each agency/tribe.

An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire started by the exempted activity.

/s/ Rebecca Lockett Heath
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Forest Supervisor, Gallatin National Forest

July 3, 2007
Date